Civic Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, December 1, 2009

Present:

Committee Chair: Sue Rothrock

Committee Members: Dale Brumbaugh, Rodney Jester, Ann Schmittinger, Greg Morrison

Elaine Hickey (Secretary, Village of Arden)

Call to order by Chair Sue Rothrock at 7:40 PM.

The Minutes of the September 14, 2009 meeting were approved as read.

Field Theater

Survey stakes are in. The boundary is 2.2 feet from Mandy Tocco's house at 2307 Woodland Lane. The poplar tree there is within the Field Theater boundaries. It needs to be looked at because one limb looks bad.

A pin should be set in the middle which is at the stage wall. Rick Rothrock will drill a hole for it. Other pins will be put in place as well. Rodney will pick those up and possibly some posts.

Damon will be asked to clear out the wisteria so that trees can be planted.

Roads

The drain work that was done around the Gild Hall is working well. The Arden Club will contribute \$5000.00 for that project.

There are lots of new pot holes around town.

Of the 5 projects using grant funds, the last one is on Meadow Lane. Civic is down to \$12,000.00 of its budget to get us through the rest of the year.

Rodney met with Bruce Downing regarding the 1911 Orleans Rd. problem. Bruce doesn't think a swale or a curb will solve the problem since the runoff water is not coming from the road. Most of the water is coming from the adjacent property. Rodney will meet with Advanced Paving, and also see if there are other contractors who could give a second opinion. The issue may eventually have to go to the Town Assembly.

Snow Plowing

Jim Burslem gave his bid for plowing and putting down salt & sand when snow accumulates over 3 inches. His bid is \$340.00 for one round. Turf Management will charge \$685.00 for one round but they will put down magnesium chloride, which is more environmentally friendly, instead of salt. The decision is to go with Jim Burslem. Sue will ask if he will consider using magnesium chloride. The contract was signed.

Tot Lot

Civic agrees with the Town that the community garden group can use the Tot Lot (no longer used as a playground) for their gardens, however it must be restored to its former condition when no longer used as a garden area.

Sherwood Green Parking

Warren Rosenkranz asked if the BWVC could have permanent permission to use the Sherwood Green for overflow parking every Sunday morning instead of submitting Permit Forms for their long term rental on Sundays. The Town Secretary said that the BWVC will have to submit Permit Forms for the dates they wish to use the Sherwood Green. Renters of the BWVC

and the Gild Hall will have to be granted permission and should be willing to share the Green whenever both buildings are rented at the same time.

Civic Committee Member

The January Advisory Meeting will want the list of nominees for next year. Greg and Annie are up for reelection in 2010. Dale, Rodney, and Sue are up for reelection in 2011, but Sue is resigning as Chair in 2010 and will not stay on the Committee. Greg will stay for reelection.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Hickey Secretary, Village of Arden